

**TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(Under 37 CFR 1.97(b) or 1.97(c))**

Docket No.
01070078AA

In Re Application Of: **Hamanaka**

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
10/576,498	April 20, 2006	Eric Rush	30743	2624	6288

Title: **IMAGE COMPARISON SYSTEM AND IMAGE COMPARISON METHOD**

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37 CFR 1.97(b)

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37 CFR 1.97(c)

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☒ the statement specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e);

OR

☐ the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p).

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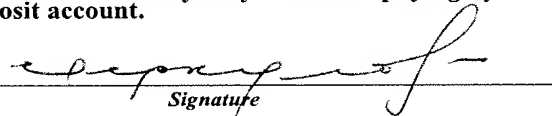
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Invention: **IMAGE COMPARISON SYSTEM AND IMAGE COMPARISON METHOD**

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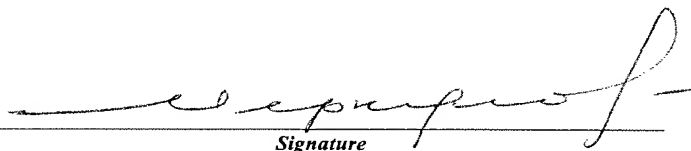
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Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1)

- ☒ Each item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(2)

- ☐ No item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned person, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.


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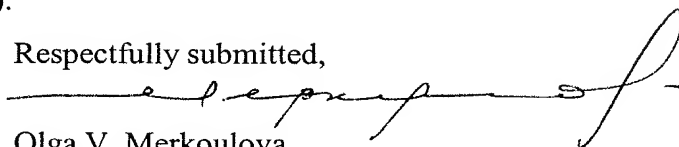
Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 through §1.98 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following document, cited in the Office Action, issued by the Chinese Patent Office on July 25, 2008, in relation to the corresponding Chinese counterpart application, for the above-identified patent application and listed on the attached forms PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be formally made of record in the application. Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to the Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-2041 (Whitham, Curtis, Christofferson & Cook, P.C.).

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